IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Molecules

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Supplemental Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Further to Applicants' Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed in the captioned matter on April 6, 2000 ("the 04/06/00 reply"), and in reply to the Communication dated May 30, 2000, Applicants submit the following supplemental amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

Please amend the application as follows: